

REMARKS

As mentioned hereinabove, this is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, mailed June 26, 2006, in the above-identified patent application. In the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, in section 4(C) thereof, it is stated that each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and, in section 4(E) thereof, it is stated that "Allowed is not a status identifier." Applicant resubmits herewith a corrected version of the "AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS" section from the Amendment and Communication, filed by Certificate of Mailing, on June 8, 2006. In the resubmitted corrected section, Applicant has changed "(Allowed)" to "(Original)", with respect to claims 13 - 19 and 23, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.121(c).

Upon further review of the "AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS" section of the Amendment and Communication as filed June 8, 2006, it was further noted that with respect to claim 20, "(Deleted)" was used instead of "(Canceled)", and the text of claim 20 was still set forth, albeit in a "struck through" format. In compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(c)(4), Applicant has changed the status identifier in claim 20 to "(Canceled)", and deleted the struck-through claim text. Applicant also noted a typographical error in the third paragraph of claim 6 (according to the proposed amendment language) wherein "lease" was set forth instead of "least". This typographical error has been corrected in the substitute "AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS" section set forth hereinabove.

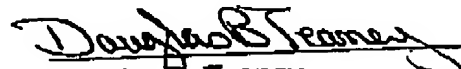
In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the claim identifiers for each of claims 13 - 19, 20 and 23 are now correct, and that, upon substitution of the "AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS" section herein for that in the Amendment and Communication filed June 8, 2006, the Amendment and Communication is now in condition to be entered and forwarded to the Examiner for consideration. Accordingly, entry of the corrected Amendment and Communication, and forwarding of same to the Examiner for consideration, toward reconsideration of the application, and ultimate allowance of same, are respectfully solicited.

Should anything further be required, a telephone call to the undersigned at (312) 456-8400 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT is being transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, via facsimile transmission, to the attention of Examiner Mark Spisich, Art Unit 1744, at fax number 571-273-8300, on July 24, 2006.


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